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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
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Sir:

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**STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE**

The relevance of European references EP 0 492 412 and EP 0 993 863 and German reference DE 297 05 741 to the subject matter of the present invention is given in the Background and Summary of the Invention in the specification of the present invention.

**CONCISE EXPLANATION OF NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE DOCUMENTS**

An English abstract of German reference DE 197 37 007 is submitted herewith.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a corresponding foreign Search Report citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

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Respectfully submitted,

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